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as liquids from the well following fracturing or refracturing are routed to the storage vessel affected facility.

- (ii) If the monthly emissions determination required in this section indicates that VOC emissions from your storage vessel affected facility increase to 4 tpy or greater and the increase is not associated with fracturing or refracturing of a well feeding the storage vessel affected facility, you must comply with paragraph (d)(1) of this section within 30 days of the monthly calculation
- (e) Control requirements. (1) Except as required in paragraph (e)(2) of this section, if you use a control device to reduce emissions from your storage vessel affected facility, you must equip the storage vessel with a cover that meets the requirements of §60.5411(b) and is connected through a closed vent system that meets the requirements of §60.5411(c), and you must route emissions to a control device that meets the conditions specified in §60.5412(c) and (d). As an alternative to routing the closed vent system to a control device, you may route the closed vent system to a process.
- (2) If you use a floating roof to reduce emissions, you must meet the requirements of \$60.112b(a)(1) or (2) and the relevant monitoring, inspection, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements in 40 CFR part 60, subpart Kb.
- (f) Requirements for storage vessel affected facilities that are removed from service. If you are the owner or operator of a storage vessel affected facility that is removed from service, you must comply with paragraphs (f)(1) and (2) of this section.
- (1) You must submit a notification in your next annual report, identifying all storage vessel affected facilities removed from service during the reporting period.
- (2) If the storage vessel affected facility identified in paragraph (f)(1) of this section is returned to service, you must comply with paragraphs (f)(2)(i) through (iii) of this section.
- (i) If returning your storage vessel affected facility to service is associated with fracturing or refracturing of a well feeding the storage vessel affected facility, you must comply with paragraph (d) of this section immediately

upon returning the storage vessel to service.

- (ii) If returning your storage vessel affected facility to service is not associated with a well that was fractured or refractured, you must comply with paragraphs (f)(2)(ii)(A) and (B) of this section.
- (A) You must determine emissions as specified in §60.5365(e) within 30 days of returning your storage vessel affected facility to service.
- (B) If the uncontrolled VOC emissions without considering control from your storage vessel affected facility are 4 tpy or greater, you must comply with paragraph (d) of this section within 60 days of returning to service.
- (iii) You must submit a notification in your next annual report identifying each storage vessel affected facility that has been returned to service.
- (g) Compliance, notification, recordkeeping, and reporting. You must comply with paragraphs (g)(1) through (3) of this section.
- (1) You must demonstrate initial compliance with standards as required by §60.5410(h) and (i).
- (2) You must demonstrate continuous compliance with standards as required by §60.5415(e)(3).
- (3) You must perform the required notification, recordkeeping and reporting as required by §60.5420.
- (h) Exemptions. This subpart does not apply to storage vessels subject to and controlled in accordance with the requirements for storage vessels in 40 CFR part 60, subpart Kb, 40 CFR part 63, subparts G, CC, HH, or WW.

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## § 60.5400 What equipment leak standards apply to affected facilities at an onshore natural gas processing plant?

This section applies to the group of all equipment, except compressors, within a process unit.

- (a) You must comply with the requirements of  $\S 60.482-1a(a)$ , (b), and (d), 60.482-2a, and 60.482-4a through 60.482-11a, except as provided in  $\S 60.5401$ .
- (b) You may elect to comply with the requirements of  $\S 60.483-1a$  and 60.483-2a, as an alternative.

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- (c) You may apply to the Administrator for permission to use an alternative means of emission limitation that achieves a reduction in emissions of VOC at least equivalent to that achieved by the controls required in this subpart according to the requirements of §60.5402 of this subpart.
- (d) You must comply with the provisions of §60.485a of this part except as provided in paragraph (f) of this section.
- (e) You must comply with the provisions of §§ 60.486a and 60.487a of this part except as provided in §§ 60.5401, 60.5421, and 60.5422 of this part.
- (f) You must use the following provision instead of §60.485a(d)(1): Each piece of equipment is presumed to be in VOC service or in wet gas service unless an owner or operator demonstrates that the piece of equipment is not in VOC service or in wet gas service. For a piece of equipment to be considered not in VOC service, it must be determined that the VOC content can be reasonably expected never to exceed 10.0 percent by weight. For a piece of equipment to be considered in wet gas service, it must be determined that it contains or contacts the field gas before the extraction step in the process. For purposes of determining the percent VOC content of the process fluid that is contained in or contacts a piece of equipment, procedures that conform to the methods described in ASTM E169-93, E168-92, or E260-96 (incorporated by reference as specified in §60.17) must be used.

## § 60.5401 What are the exceptions to the equipment leak standards for affected facilities at onshore natural gas processing plants?

- (a) You may comply with the following exceptions to the provisions of  $\S60.5400(a)$  and (b).
- (b)(1) Each pressure relief device in gas/vapor service may be monitored quarterly and within 5 days after each pressure release to detect leaks by the methods specified in \$60.485a(b) except as provided in \$60.5400(c) and in paragraph (b)(4) of this section, and \$60.482–4a(a) through (c) of subpart VVa.
- (2) If an instrument reading of 500 ppm or greater is measured, a leak is detected.

- (3)(i) When a leak is detected, it must be repaired as soon as practicable, but no later than 15 calendar days after it is detected, except as provided in \$60.482-9a.
- (ii) A first attempt at repair must be made no later than 5 calendar days after each leak is detected.
- (4)(i) Any pressure relief device that is located in a nonfractionating plant that is monitored only by non-plant personnel may be monitored after a pressure release the next time the monitoring personnel are on-site, instead of within 5 days as specified in paragraph (b)(1) of this section and §60.482-4a(b)(1) of subpart VVa.
- (ii) No pressure relief device described in paragraph (b)(4)(i) of this section must be allowed to operate for more than 30 days after a pressure release without monitoring.
- (c) Sampling connection systems are exempt from the requirements of §60.482–5a.
- (d) Pumps in light liquid service, valves in gas/vapor and light liquid service, and pressure relief devices in gas/vapor service that are located at a nonfractionating plant that does not have the design capacity to process 283,200 standard cubic meters per day (scmd) (10 million standard cubic feet per day) or more of field gas are exempt from the routine monitoring requirements of § 60.482–2a(a)(1) and 60.482–7a(a), and paragraph (b)(1) of this section.
- (e) Pumps in light liquid service, valves in gas/vapor and light liquid service, and pressure relief devices in gas/vapor service within a process unit that is located in the Alaskan North Slope are exempt from the routine monitoring requirements of §§ 60.482–2a(a)(1), 60.482–7a(a), and paragraph (b)(1) of this section.
- (f) An owner or operator may use the following provisions instead of §60.485a(e):
- (1) Equipment is in heavy liquid service if the weight percent evaporated is 10 percent or less at 150 °C (302 °F) as determined by ASTM Method D86–96 (incorporated by reference as specified in \$60.17).
- (2) Equipment is in light liquid service if the weight percent evaporated is greater than 10 percent at 150 °C (302